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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Section (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/919,994
Filing Date	August 2, 2001
First Named Inventor	RUI XIE et al.
Group Art Unit	1711
Examiner Name	SERGEANT, Rabon A.
Attorney Docket Number	6400 CIP

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1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted.
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other : Request for Extension of Time

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ Months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees. The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, in the amount of \$810.00 to Deposit Account No. 23-2656, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 23-2656.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed.
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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